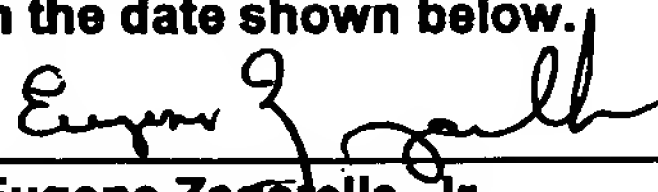


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Sir:

This is a response to the final rejection of March 7, 1997 (Paper No. 14). Please amend the application as follows:

**In the Claims:**

Rewrite Claim 86 as follows:

— 86. (amended) A biodegradable moldable product or film product prepared from a compatible blend comprising a biodegradable, hydrophobic, water-repellant, amorphous starch ester having a degree of substitution of about 1.1 to about 2.5 DS and a biodegradable polyester selected from the group consisting of poly(6-caprolactone), poly(lactic acid), poly(glycolic acid), poly(hydroxy butyric acid), poly(hydroxy isobutyric acid), poly(hydroxy valeric acid), poly(hydroxybutyrate-co-valerate) and [poly(hydroxy alkanoates).] polyesters derived from hydroxy-carboxylic acids having the formula: